

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in light of the amendments above and the following remarks. Claims 1-19 were originally filed in the present application. In response to a Restriction Requirement, Applicants elected claims 1-10 to be prosecuted in the present Application. As a result, claims 11-19 have been withdrawn. By the present Amendment, the Applicants have canceled claims 1 and 2 and amended the remaining claims according to the Examiner's suggestion. In particular, claim 8 has been amended to independent form and the remaining claims have been amended in a corresponding manner. Accordingly, claims 3-10 are presently pending in this Application.

I. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's statement that claims 8-10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, claim 8 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of claim 1. Please note that claim 8 has been further amended to clarify the claimed structure of the coupling assembly. More specifically, amended claim 8 now clarifies that the "one or more controls" can be considered to comprise a portion of the coupling assembly. In this same regard, claim 8 has been amended to remove reference to the term "assembly" in describing the first and second worm gears, which also form a portion of the coupling assembly. Claims 9 and 10 have also been amended for clarification purposes. In view of the foregoing amendments, claims 3-10 should now be in condition for allowance.

II. CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims have been amended in a manner consistent with a requirement of form set forth in the Office Action. Applicants therefore request entry of this amendment under 37 CFR 1.116(b)(1), and timely issuance of a Notice of Allowance for pending claims 3-10 of the present application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if such would expedite the prosecution of the

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present application. The Office is authorized to charge any necessary fees to Deposit
Account No. 13-0480, referencing the application serial number specified herein.

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